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In re application of

WOLF, Edward A.

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RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby responds to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement dated November 3, 2003. Applicant includes a request for a one-month extension of time and the fee.

The Examiner has requested that under 35 U.S.C. 121, the applicant elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is held finally to be allowable. The Examiner states that currently claim 1 is generic.

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The Examiner has indicated:

Species I: Figures 1 and 2;

Species II: Figures 3 and 4;

Species III: Figures 9A, 9B and 9C.

Figures 1 and 2 show a laser array that includes a gimbled and rotatable light bearing platform that allows the laser beams to be emitted in an 360 degree plane.

Figures 3 and 4 show a hand-held elongated, cylindrical housing shaped like a flashlight that includes the laser array with the beam eminating out of one end of the light head.

Figures 9A, 9B and 9C show a hand held survival device includes a strobe light and a plurality of lasers that generate a line beam of laser light in conjunction with or without the strobe light being turned on.

Applicant hereby elects Species II: Figures 3 and 4.

It is applicant's position that claims 1, 2 and 3 are generic as are claims 7, 17, 18, 19 and 20.

Species II: Figures 3 and 4 read on claims 6, 11 and 14.

Although applicant does not elect Species I: Figures 1 and 2 read on claims 4, 5, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15 and 16.

Although non-elected, Species III: Figures 9A, 9B and 9C do not include any claims that include the strobe limitation.

In summary, applicant elects Species II: Figures 3 and 4.

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Any additional charges, including Extensions of Time, please bill our Deposit Account No. 13-1130.

Respectfully submitted,

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